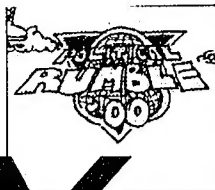


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Middle Schools Compete for Best Future City

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Fourteen teams of middle school engineering students converged on the Milo Bail Student Center Saturday for the regional judging of the Future Cities Competition.

Since September, these teams — each consisting of three to five students, a teacher and an engineer men-

tor — worked with SimCity 2000® software to design a city of the future. This year's theme was Mars 2030, and students were required to write an essay on building a sister city on Mars.

After designing the city on computer, the teams worked from a printout to create a three-dimensional model, which they presented to a panel of engineer judges at the competition Saturday. The models had to be built for less than \$100 and incorporate at least one

moving part with its own power source.

Many of the models at Saturday's competition utilized recycled or donated materials. Many buildings in the models were made of empty bottles.

Carrie Thomas, an eighth grader from Kirn Junior High, said her team's model was made mostly of donated and recycled Styrofoam. Clay for a statue in the model was donated by the school.

The model for Ares, one of two entries from Mission Middle School, used blowtorched Styrofoam, a Jell-o mold, an old sprinkler head and an empty cookie tray among its building materials, said Louis Evans and Sean Harris, both eighth graders at Mission Middle School.

Evans said he counted 24 consecutive days when the team, which also included Josh Buennemeyer, was at school working on the model until 9 p.m. Ares won third place in the competition.

In his morning introduction, Dennis Wilson, design engineer for the city of Omaha, told participants, "Rewards are not always given for your best work," and of the 14 teams participating, only three would be recognized at the end.

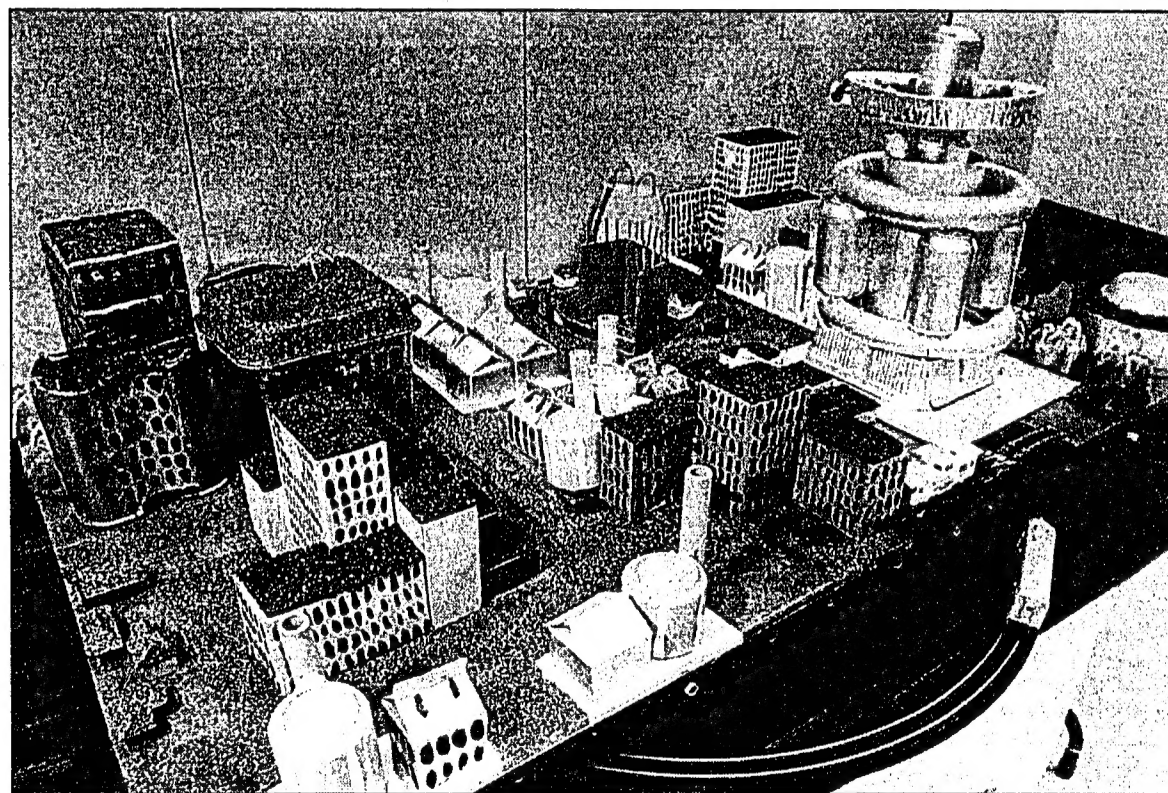
First place in the competition went to Saint Wenceslaus Catholic School for their city, Asclepa Sylva. Millard North Middle School won second place with their city, Utopia Planitia.

The team from Saint Wenceslaus Catholic School will travel to Washington, D.C., for the national finals. There, they will compete against the first place winners from the other 18 participating regions.

The Future City Competition is offered in conjunction with National Engineers Week, which takes place Feb. 20-26. National judging will take place that week in Washington, D.C. The national winners will receive a trip to U.S. Space Camp in Huntsville, Ala.

Left: Erutuf, built by the team from Gretna Middle School, featured an underground train and elevated gardens.

Chris Machian



College of Education Forms Innovative Partnership for Teacher Education

JANET STYFFE

News Editor

The College of Education, in partnership with the Metropolitan Omaha Educational Consortium, unveiled the Teacher Academy Project Friday. TAP is a new program which allows people who hold a bachelor's degree in a subject area taught in grades 7 to 12 — such as mathematics, science or foreign languages — to earn teaching certification on one year while interning in one of the seven MOEC school districts.

"TAP is an innovative, collaborative certification option designed to meet specific personnel demands in secondary education," said John Christensen, dean of the College of Education.

While serving internships in one of the participating school districts, TAP students are enrolled full time as graduate students at UNO. Graduate work completed during the TAP can be applied to a master's in secondary education degree.

TAP includes 30-36 hours of course work, said Becky Schnabel, TAP certification officer. In addition, students spend four hours per day in the schools during the fall semester and student teach during the spring semester.

The benefits of TAP, Christensen said, are threefold — experience, education and support. In addition to the course work and internship, TAP students are assigned a trained support team including a project supervisor, a building

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UNO Athletes Compete in Curling Championship

JACKIE CALLAHAN

Staff Writer

Five UNO athletes have teamed up to compete in the U.S.A. Junior Curling Championships in Bemidji, Minn., being held Jan. 29-Feb. 6.

Andy Roza (right), Steve Jaixen, Kevin Jordan, Scott Jordan and Chris Becher had previously qualified for the championships and are coming into the competition as the two-time defending national champions.

The Nebraska team is the tournament favorite, and if victorious it will earn a spot in the World Junior Curling Championships to be held this March in Geising, Germany.

Success is nothing new to the members of this Nebraska team. They recently won the bronze medal in the 1999 World Championships. After placing a remarkable fourth place in the 1997 Olympic Trials, the team now has its sights set on qualifying for the 2001 Olympic Trials. Their long-term goal is to qualify for the 2002 Olympic Games to be held in Salt Lake City, Utah.



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Emergency Security Examined

JANET STYFFE

News Editor

What's the number for 911 at UNO?

"I didn't even know there was an emergency number," sophomore Monica Mora said. Pete Wetzel, legislative public relations officer for Student Government, also said he had not heard of the emergency number.

When a confrontation between two students occurred in the Student Government office Jan. 25, Wetzel was in his office with Damien Coran, one of the students involved in the confrontation. Wetzel called Campus Security at about the same time that Brittenham did to report the incident in progress.

"I originally dialed 2800 to get information because didn't know the number to security," Wetzel said. "Information told me it was 554-2648. When I called that number I got a response probably after a ring or so," Wetzel said he told the operator "there's someone at my door, trying to break in, I'm over in the Milo Ball Student Center in the Student Government office, please send someone right away." He said that the operator then wanted to know the full extent of the situation, and explaining that took another couple minutes.

"It's helpful if you know what you're responding to," Kosel said. Adequate information allows officers to be prepared for the situation when they arrive at the scene of an incident.

"It seemed like a long time to me before they came over, well, just because I was under like a duress situation where we had someone beating down the door, who was possibly armed," Wetzel said.

The police report did not indicate that Dana Sherrod, identified as the other person in the situation, was armed.

Wetzel said he could not be certain of the exact time it took for Campus Security to arrive, because of the duress, but said it was "definitely 10 minutes," and said other bystanders said it was about 10 minutes as well.

Campus Security records indicate that the radio call to officers went out at 11:18 a.m. and officers arrived on the scene at 11:20 a.m. There are no records indicating how much time elapsed between when Wetzel's call was answered and when the radio call went out.

Response time is dictated by the location of a situation on campus, Kosel said. "Responding to the student center, the center part of campus, a couple minutes, two to three minutes, maybe even less. We've had times when officers have been on the floor above or below and it's been within moments. Then again, too, if it's an incident happening on the third floor of the IST&E building, and we don't have somebody down there, it takes longer because you have to drive through the park and get to the building."

"I think we get to probably 99.9 (percent of) things under four minutes," Kosel said. "I'd say our average response time is probably more like two or three minutes."

Kosel said if someone sees an emergency happening on campus, "We would hope that they would call campus security, use our emergency number, which is 2911, and let us know what's going on, provide us adequate detail so we know what we're responding to."

"2648 is just for general calls that come in," Kosel said. "We don't anticipate emergencies coming in on that as frequently as the 2911 number."

Jan Brittenham, director of the Student Programming Organization, called the number listed for security in the Employee Telephone Directory, 4-2648. The emergency number is not listed under the headings for security or Campus Security. It is listed on the table of contents page and in the emergency procedures section on pages 90-94. Brittenham said the phone rang "quite a few times" before an operator picked up, estimating that it rang 20 times.

Paul Kosel, director of security, said that such instances are not common. "I suppose there may be some times when a phone may ring two or three times," he said. "We would hope to get to that sooner, but I don't think that happens very frequently."

Calls ringing in on 4-2911 are given priority over calls on 4-2648, Kosel said. "When that phone set rings — different ring, different everything — they (dispatchers) know to excuse themselves from the call they're on and deal with that one immediately," he said.

Wetzel said he told the information operator that he was in a duress situation and asked for the number for Campus Security. He was given 554-2648.

On placards next to many of the campus phones, the number listed for Campus Security, in red letters on some placards, is 4-2648. 4-2911 is not listed on placards in the student center, nor is it on most of the placards in other buildings.

"When they were initially put up, it wasn't placed on there, but that's a good idea," Kosel said.

Telecommunications is responsible for the placards by the campus phones. "There may be an attempt to add that number (4-2911) to that, but it wasn't placed on there," Kosel said.

Forrest Stowe, manager of telecommunications, said he was unsure why the emergency number is not listed on the placards. "I suspect that the majority of the calls to 2648 are not of a critical nature, but if it turns out that they are, it might be a good idea to have both numbers."

Emergencies can also be reported through one of the blue-light emergency phone located around campus. When a person pushes the button on those phones, the call rings in on the emergency line.

Voter Apathy: Why Do So Few of Us Vote?

LINDA SEDJRO

Staff Writer

After much debate in the past, 18-year-olds won the right to vote, but today many young adults are reluctant to vote. According to a recent poll, young people do not care about casting a ballot because voting has little to do with the way public policy decisions are made and they feel that politicians do not listen to their concerns anyway.

The presidential elections are coming up and there are many candidates to vote for. Some young adults choose to vote and some do not.

Here on campus there are many opinions about whether young people should get involved in politics.

UNO Professor James B. Johnson from the political science department believes that the reason why young people do not care about politics is because politics is a matter of maturity.

"Young people have not yet integrated to the political world and there are other things they need to concentrate on such as a job, dating a new person, developing a new personal relationship," he said.

Johnson believes that once young people get older, they see how politics affect them.

Johnson said young people should not be forced to vote if they do not want to because it causes them a lot of distraction even though they should start earlier. He believes that young people need to be more active and involve themselves more in political actions because it makes a difference.

UNO sophomore and psychology major Stephanie Teten believes voting is necessary for a good future.

"We are going to have to play catch-up with things that went wrong because we didn't vote and put people in office," she said. "It's better to get your voice heard than to sit by and have to make up for the consequences for not being heard," Teten said.

Teten is also an active voter.

"I voted for the UNO proposition and that's what prompted me to vote for the first time," she said. "And I'm going to vote for the presidential election coming up."

Most young do not see the need to vote because they do not understand a lot about politics.

"I'm a registered voter and when I vote I choose someone that has a good last name," Rhonda Morrow, a senior broadcasting major at UNO said.

Voting is an individual's choice, and Johnson said, "If you don't do anything, you will not have any influence."

Dean's Goal: Strengthen Business College's Image

DANA NELSEN
Staff Writer

How many college students have the foresight to say, "in 20 years I want to be ... (fill in the blank)." Not many. If fact, when graduation finally arrives, many students are gripped with uncertainty as they search for the first job in their newly acquired field.

In 1978, Nancy Nogg-Rauhauser couldn't have known that at the turn of the millennium she would be appointed assistant dean of the College of Business Administration at UNO. Twenty-two years after receiving her communication degree from the University of Wisconsin at Madison, she finds herself helping direct nearly 1,500 students toward a professional career in business.

"Nancy was chosen because she is a person who is well-connected in the business community, she understands the mission and focus of the college and therefore was the most qualified," Business Administration Dean Stan Hille said. "Some people just have the natural ability to work well with others, and she is certainly one of them."

But getting to UNO did not happen overnight. After her graduation 1978, she took a position as director of corporate relations with Guardian Technologies, based in Denver. The company specialized in auto-installed alcohol-Breathalyzer systems designed to prevent drunk driving and home arrest devices used to monitor criminals.

Her experience with Guardian Technologies enabled her to move on to several West Coast jobs in the managed health care field, where she stayed for seven years "directing marketing efforts" for several companies, including Charter Medical and Harcourt General.

Nogg left California for Big Red country when Harcourt General decided to open an Omaha office. However, a desire for a greater level of education forced her to once again consider a change.

In 1997, she received her executive Master of Business Administration degree and took a job

with Bellevue University as an assistant professor in the College for Professional Studies. The professorship gave her more time with her husband, son and their rottweiler, Fluffy.

She stayed at Bellevue University for several years, utilizing her vast experience in the business world, but a need for greater responsibility once again prompted a change.

Jan. 3 marked her first day at UNO, where she intends to utilize her marketing skills to help shape the college's future for the new millennium.

"I want to put a strong image of the business college into the community," Nogg said, "and help businesses get to know our students."

She intends to do this by expanding external relations with the community by increasing executive education — showing how the business college can support local companies and expanding business recruitment efforts by attracting more high school students.

"Everything is business, regardless of what field you decide upon," Nogg said, "the arts are business, science is business, medicine is business, everything."

She believes the college can help professionals make themselves more valuable by "keeping their skill-set competitive," thus making their businesses grow. She further believes the key factor of success is continued education after graduation. "Knowledge and learning is a life-long commitment. It is the best gift you can give yourself. The returns are immeasurable."

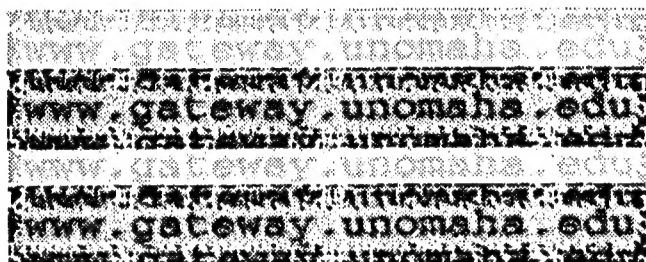
Nogg also plans to help make the university's decision to build a new business administration building within the next five years a reality. "The building has been approved on the master plan of the university but an official time line has not yet been set."

Other goals include the implementation of the Executive Lecture Component in which students will learn from business professionals specifically what jobs entail, how to handle situations not covered in classes and how knowledge from textbooks applies in real life.



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Nancy Nogg-Rauhauser, assistant dean of the College of Business, in her new office.



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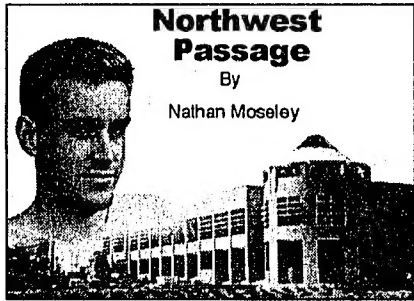
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Political Mudbath

The mud-slinging has begun, and some of the candidates are already knee-deep in their own slop, but one candidate in particular seems to be doing the most slinging.

That would be Bill Bradley, and most of his mud is being flung in Al Gore's direction, his fellow Democratic candidate.

Although I would have only been 15 at the time of the last Presidential race, I cannot remember so much dirty campaigning going on.

Ever since Bradley entered the race there has been nothing short of a barrage of attacks against Gore's position on abortion, life style and the administration that he has been a part of, among other things.

Yet I don't see Gore returning the favor quite as severely as Bradley is giving it.

Perhaps it is because he is a better person or it could just be that he knows that he is a shoe-in and he doesn't need to worry about Bradley overtaking him in the Democratic race.

Either way Bradley is doing more harm to himself and his party than he is good. He is slowly chopping himself down with each negative remark or advertisement that he sends out.

Recent polls show that he is slipping further and further down the slope of public opinion, and the most recent ad attacking Gore's abortion views seems to be knocking him even further down.

Bradley reminds me of the little kid that has no friends and always tattles on everyone else on the playground. I am just waiting for the big bully to come over and knock him out.

Although Gore is not my favorite candidate in the presidential race, I am impressed with his composure during the onslaught coming from Bradley. I know he has done his own negative campaigning, but not nearly at the same ferocity level as Bradley.

Gore could attack the health of Bradley, who has atrial fibrillation, otherwise known as an irregular heartbeat, which could affect his ability to complete his job, especially if there is an intern who catches his eye.

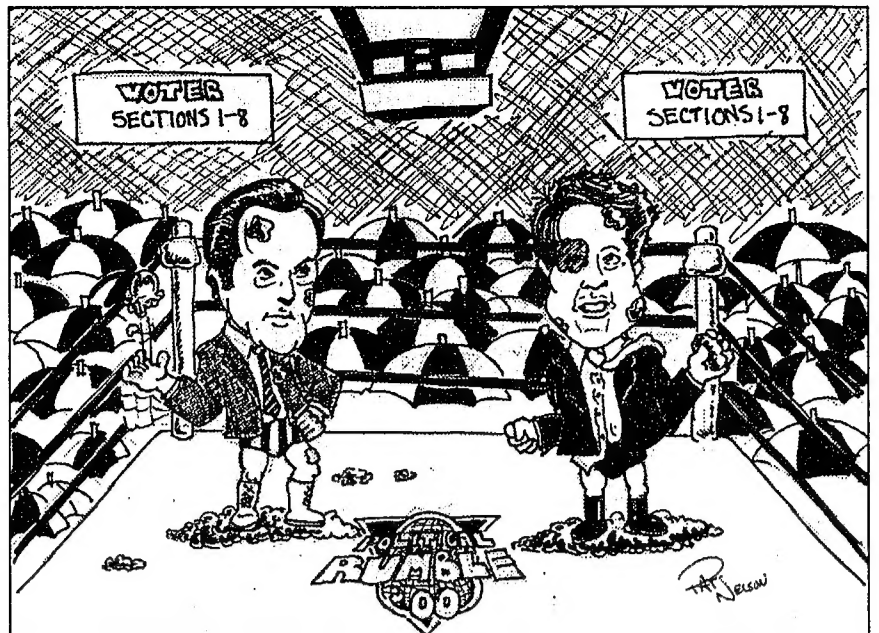
This could be a serious problem because if he needs a cardioversion to reset his heartbeat he will be unconscious for several minutes. This brings up the question of whether the 25th Amendment would have to be used, which uses its provisions to turn over executive power to his vice president while he is under.

Does this not seem like a problem to anyone? Yet Gore does not make political ads that harp on this very subject.

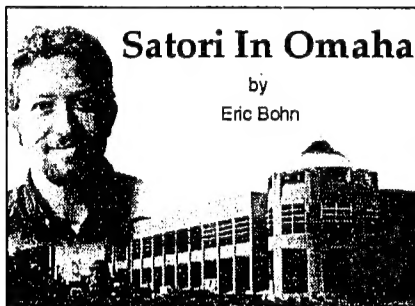
On the Republican side things seem to be a little more tame. There have been a few attacks from Forbes toward Bush, especially about foreign policy, but for the most part the Republicans are actually being "civil" toward one another.

Part of it has to do with there being five candidates so it is more like a Royal Rumble where little skirmishes are unseen compared to that of a

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Ah, Can You Smell the P.C.?



"You can develop your body, but your mind is still a slum."
-Johnny Rotten

Something stinks in this country, and I think it's the stench of 125 million atrophying brains.

That's right — as you read this, your cerebrum is wasting away under the effect of some very potent political correctness! It's sneaky stuff, that P.C. nonsense, and the damage can be delayed up to six months.

Perhaps you heard the expression "nontraditional shopper" (shoplifter) three months ago. Only now would you feel the familiar loss of appetite and cold shiver as your I.Q. plummets 10 points. Scary, huh? But it's happening all the time, all around us.

Just last week I heard a frightening story on National Public Radio (NPR ... I highly recommend it for recovering lost I.Q.s). It seems some blithering idiots in Maine feel compelled to rename Big Squaw Mountain and a handful of other sites with "squaw" in their names. They say the letters "s," "q," "u," "a" and "w," in that order, are naughty. A racial slur that is offensive to Big Squaw Mountain and those tender folks who view it.

Now obviously, if you pass a P.C. Geiger counter over these fellas it'll top out. They're beyond hope.

Incidentally, some Native Americans say "squaw" is the only word they have for "woman." If that word is erased from maps, it's the same as erasing their culture and their history.

What I really want to know is this: who was the first moron to utter a P.C. phrase, and why has this hogwash survived? Are we really all so stupid that

we believe "involuntarily leisured" is different from "unemployed"? (I hear some I.Q.s dropping.)

The United States is not a country of subtleties. Dumping tea in Boston Harbor was not discreet; the American Revolution was no low-key affair.

Likewise, half-baked understatement and soft-boiled euphemisms are unbecoming of Americans. We are known worldwide as brash and capable of anything. So why, when our President himself can't stay unzipped, do we all button down?

"Squaw" is a word I've always understood to simply mean "woman." "Black" is a word like "yellow" is a word. "American" and "Indian" are words too. They are words that carry no value judgments, yet they are controversial.

What are some other words? How about "clown," "hobo," "witch" and "devil"? These can also be Halloween costumes, except in backward school districts. Apparently a hobo costume might mentally scar a child whose father is a hobo.

Whatever happened to thick skin? Whatever happened to "sticks and stones may break my bones, but words will never hurt me?" If our founding fathers could see us now, they'd hurl their beer steins in disgust!

The sad fact is we're mentally weakening. American students test poorly compared to students in many Asian and European countries, especially in math and sciences. Pretty soon we're gonna add English to that list.

Why? Because instead of using our noggins, we buy into the crippling P.C. BS and repeat the same "previously enjoyed sound bites" (cliches).

This blinds us from seeing the truth of the matter, and it throws the brain into hibernation. (Oops, just shed another three I.Q. points.)

But you know, it's actually pretty comfortable once you've been through the resimplification program. Thinking too much is double-plus ungood, and it's much easier to throw on those rosy-colored sunglasses.

You know, I heard the view is even better once we've retreated across the Rubicon.

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Politically Incompatable: Smack Politics

Point: Conservative

Opinion by David M. Johnson

Democrats would have you believe they are tolerant of others, more so than Republicans. They preach toleration of all people ... all people, that is, who happen to agree with their views. Those of us who don't agree with them are hated, despised and labeled as "mean-spirited." So much for toleration.

This forced toleration of Liberal ideas has done more to destroy the historical fabric of American family life than any edict.

We are told by Liberals we must tolerate the public showing of elephant dung splashed upon the Virgin Mary, a crucifix dunked in a glass of urine, and a photo of one man urinating into the mouth of another man as all important pieces of art.

We are told by Liberals we must tolerate public radio show hosts who swear, curse and emit obscenities on a minute-by-minute basis as a vital part of freedom of speech.

We are told by Liberals we must tolerate web sites which show our children how to make bombs, where to buy booze or drugs, and show graphic, live exhibitions of naked people involved in sexual acts all in the name of the First Amendment.

We are told by Liberals we must tolerate music lyrics which direct our children to kill police officers. I'm not sure what that's in the name of.

We are told by Liberals we must toler-

ate and even embrace a President who engages in adulterous activities; lies to his friends, family and country; wastes millions of taxpayers dollars because he lied; takes campaign money from a communist nation; and even asks the American public to help pay his legal fees all because the vast majority of the ill-informed public believes that the President is solely responsible for the good times seen lately in the Dow Jones averages.

We are told by Liberals to tolerate the choice of women who decide to get abortions, but not to tolerate those who pray they change their minds.

We are told by Liberals to tolerate, accept, and celebrate a multitude of religious speakers, unless they are Christian fundamentalists. These evangelicals are not to be tolerated.

We are told by Liberals that women

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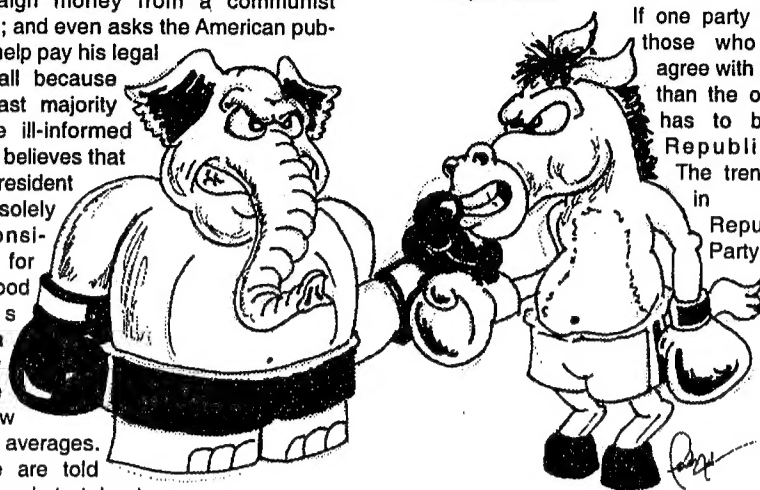
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Opinion by Erin Joy

Tolerance is a subjective matter. This becomes especially evident during political campaigns. But which party is more tolerant? Democrats or Republicans?

If one party judges those who don't agree with it more than the other, it has to be the Republicans. The trend now in the Republican Party



seems to be going toward ultra-conservatism. Republicans want to censor everything for us and be our morality police force because they don't think we can handle it ourselves.

The extreme right is anything but a fountain of tolerance. It is the zone that would like to ban all abortions, "protect America" by banning same-sex marriages, use Christian religious ideals to "promote a better society" — in short,

completely abandon the First Amendment and the freedoms it protects.

Art is a subjective matter. Politicians should leave it alone, but Conservatives have a difficult time doing that when the art offends their ideals of what we as Americans should be allowed to look at. Whether the art displayed is Pablo Picasso's "Guernica" or controversial pieces such as those Dave mentioned, we have the right to look at them, or not look at them, as we please. It is a wonderful right to have.

Freedom of speech is a subjective matter. If people are offended by certain radio show hosts (or particular members of any form of entertainment) they don't have to listen to them. It's not a Liberal-Conservative battle — it's an individual's decision to make. The same goes for web site availability: if we allow politicians to determine what is "obscene," "bad" and "immoral," we lose the power to make our own decisions. Loss of that power is the loss of everything I hold to be American.

The President's moral standing is a subjective matter. Republicans orchestrated an old-fashioned witch hunt when they went after President Clinton for his affair with Monica Lewinsky. It's funny, Republicans seem to have a short-term memory when it comes to the presidential adulterous affairs of their own party, not to mention the number of Republican

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- Bylaw change to define the letter of statement and resolutions clauses
- Bylaw change to restructure Student Senate committees

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boxing match like on the Democratic side where all focus is on those two candidates.

I think this demonstrates the sad state our political system is in when we judge how "good" a candidate someone is based on how little negative campaigning they do.

This makes the voters have to spend more time trying to weed out what a candidates' political views are, which is

probably a big reason why very few people actually vote.

So what can we as voters do to get through this election year?

Watch as little TV as possible so you don't see all of the negative shots that the candidates throw below the belt and make sure you have an umbrella and galoshes to protect yourself against all of the mud that will be raining down.

TAP

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leader, a mentor teacher and a university faculty member.

The program prepares students for a focused appointment, Christensen said. For instance, a TAP student who comes into the program with a bachelor's degree in science will prepare for a position as a science teacher in one of the participating districts. "This is really a very focused attempt to try to address need areas in secondary education," he said.

The TAP program is unique among accelerated teaching certification programs because of the way that the applicants are selected. "We have a partnership in making the selection of the people," Schnabel said.

UNO will screen applicants for eligibility for the program, which includes minimum GPA and Pre-Professional Skills test scores. After a pool of qualified applicants are selected, applicants will interview with the various school districts' human resources departments, which will assess applicants' interpersonal skills and select applicants based on how the applicant's educational background match the district's needs.

"I'm not sure I know of another place that has this kind of university/public education relationship," Christensen said. "I don't think it exists."

Once students are selected by a school district, they will be working toward full-time position in that district upon completing the program. "We're identifying people in the areas where we have a need or we see a need coming in the near future," said Rick Black, chair of the MOEC personnel task force.

The program is working toward placement of participants in one of the MOEC districts, Black said. However, if applicants are not hired by the district they have interned in, they will still have teaching certification which will allow them to teach in other districts.

The first cohort of 24 students, who will start the TAP work this summer, will be selected from applications taken through March 15. About 200 inquiries have already been made, said John Langan chair of the department of teacher education.

In future years, the size of the TAP cohorts may increase as resources in the College of Education allow.

Blood Drive Coming to Omaha

ZAHRA CHEEMA

Features Editor

The Phi Psi Nu Fraternity of UNO is teaming up with the American Red Cross for a blood drive. This event is being done in honor of Black History Month.

The Phi Psi Nu fraternity is an afro-centric greek letter organization. Branches of this fraternity are also in Alabama and Michigan. All Phi Psi Nu fraternities will be doing a blood drive this year.

It is the first time ever that any branches of this fraternity have set up a blood drive.

Eric Lockett, the president of the Alpha chapter of the fraternity, is very involved in this event.

"We started planning this on Jan. 1. With the help of Jerry Davis (founding chairman of fraternity) and myself, we made contacts to get this implemented," Lockett said. "Greg Hepburn, the treasurer, helped out a lot also with the scheduling of the event."

The Phi Psi Nu fraternity also has a few goals it wants to reach with this program. They are trying to sign up at least 60 people to donate, which will give them 50 units of blood.

"We are targeting African-Americans because so few African-American people donate in Omaha, but it is open for everyone," Lockett said.

Lockett is hoping this event will teach people something about donating blood.

"We are hoping to educate the student body and people about the donations system. One point is that it can save a life, and another point is that it is an effort to do something for the community," Lockett said.

Lockett has an increased interest in making people aware of the system of donating blood and of its safety.

"I have a strong opinion of this because two weeks ago my grandmother died. She didn't trust the system of donating. We know now that it's not a risk factor," Lockett said.

Lockett said if his grandmother had gotten a blood transfusion, she would have survived.

The blood drive is this Friday from 8:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. in the Nebraska Room of the Milo Bail Student Center.

Blood donors and volunteers to help out during the event are welcome.

"We are looking for participation," Lockett said.

The blood-giving process takes a total of one hour. The actual blood donating takes 15 minutes. Afterward, donors are asked to relax for another 15 minutes to regain their strength. The American Red Cross will be bringing doughnuts and juice for the donors to enjoy as well.

The Phi Psi Nu fraternity is looking forward to this event.

"We are real excited and are trying to make this an annual event," Lockett said.

POINT: CONSERVATIVE

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must be allowed into every aspect of a man's domain, including team dressing rooms, but the reverse is certainly not tolerated. Liberal courts have required men's clubs to admit women, but women can maintain their own private clubs, free from the invasion of men.

I am not mean-spirited. I am not a homophobe. I am not a racist. I am, however,

against certain practices by people (I don't care what color or sexual orientation they are) which tear down the best of America's Conservative past in the name of progress.

Remember: not all progress is good. What cultural progress I've seen lately is far from good.

COUNTERPOINT: LIBERAL

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representatives who have been exposed for having affairs and then lied about it. Conservatives are the best hypocrites.

Religious boundaries are a subjective matter. Conservatives would like to push religion as the answer to all of America's problems. But the only religious creed they want to promote is that of Christianity. No religion should be part of our political decision-making. Liberals believe in a clear separation of church and state, and our court system supports that because it is a vital part of our Constitutional freedom — no matter what your religion is or is not.

Abortion is a subjective matter. Liberals most certainly do not tell people "not to tolerate those who pray (for women who want abortions) they change their minds." That is fine. It is when people bomb abortion clinics, and kill doctors and patients in the name of God and morality when it is not fine. That is hypocrisy at work again, in its ugliest form.

As far as I'm concerned, the "best of America's Conservative past" is Liberal progression and defense against the latest onslaught of the "almighty" Conservative agenda.

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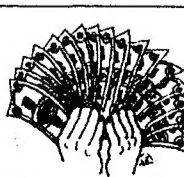
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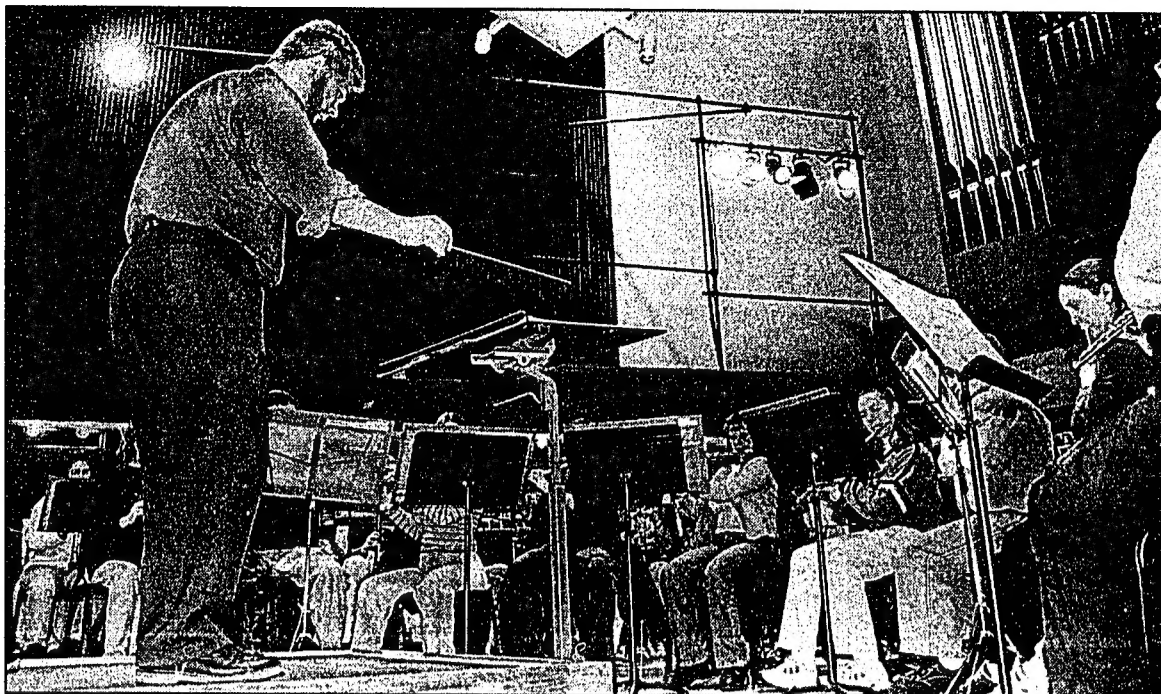


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Honor Band Brings Students from across State



Rex Barker of Millard South High School fine-tunes the Durango Honor Band Saturday afternoon before the final concert with the Maverick Honor Band and UNO's Symphonic Wind Ensemble.

CM Chris Machlan

RYAN NORRIS

Staff Writer

The UNO Strauss Center for Performing Arts housed the Honor Bands Festival for the 21st consecutive year last weekend.

"We do the Honor Bands Festival for a number of reasons. One of them is to give a lot of the high school students an opportunity to perform in a very select group. Another is to give them the opportunity to hear our wind ensemble perform," said James Saker, director of bands.

The Honors Band Festival helps get people from Western Nebraska and more rural areas into a place with some of the more urban high schools and it also acts as a recruitment tool allowing students to meet with UNO's music department.

The participants are divided into two bands, each com-

posed of 120 high school students from Iowa and Nebraska. The 240 band members were selected from over 400 candidates.

Those selected were housed and fed by people involved with UNO.

"We've been preparing for this since about December. It's been an ongoing project to get students housed. What we do is we have students or faculty members or community members or friends of the university house the kids," said Elie Harriett, graduate teaching assistant for bands.

Rex Barker of Millard South High school was the guest conductor of the Durango Honor Band, for students who were in grades nine to 11.

David Blackinton was the guest conductor of the Maverick Honor Band, for students in grade 12.

Matt Owens from Columbus High School said he is participating because his teachers told him to try out.

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Golf Ball Whackin'



A Review

by
Bobbi McCollum

Yet another boring Sunday afternoon was upon us, and once again the question that has plagued mankind since the beginning of time presented itself. What are we gonna do?

Let's see, it was 18 degrees out and the wind was blowing like a son of a gun. The movies and the mall had been done time and time again. Such harsh times make one lose hope in a cure for the curse of boredom. But wait, what about golf ball whackin'?

Sure it was cold out, but that's nothing a couple of gloves and a coat won't cure. Besides we soldiers are an adventurous bunch. Plus golf balls are helpless and weak offering the opportunity to shatter away all aggression in a non-psychotic manner. It's almost like a super-cheap psychiatrist.

Thus, destiny's path led to Milt's Golf Center at 6402 Q St. This privately owned golf kingdom is fully equipped with a snack bar and full service pro shop, providing just the refuge for a break from the bitter cold.

Buckets of balls for the range cost from \$3 for small to \$10 for large. That price was pleasing to my wallet because not only am I poor, but cheap too.

Once on the range, with the ball in place, one quickly learns that there is nothing else like the feeling of lining up the club to the ball and then punching all of one's power into hitting it.

There is also nothing else like seeing the ball shoot straight up into the air and fall a foot in front of you or looking down to see that you had, in fact, missed the ball completely. I didn't find that part of the experience too helpful in impressing my friends with my abundant golf skills.

Signs are placed throughout the range to show how many yards a golfer has hit the ball. These were useful in determining the champion in distance-hitting among my group.

Competitions, yet another way to make a visit to the golfing range more enjoyable, or if you're me, and you lose every time, to make you feel like a loser.

It seems that in every bucket of balls there is always a lone neon ball. How did it get there and what are its powers? This has been dubbed, by my friends and I anyway, as the ball of champions. Meaning that only the person with the power to hit all the way to the 250-yard marker or beyond gets the honor of whackin' this one.

At the end of this adventure we were cold but happy.

The evil devil of boredom lost this battle, but the war isn't over.



"Antigonne" Ready to Take Stage at UNO

TINA RICHARDSON

Staff Writer

Walk in the basement of the Weber Fine Arts Building and you will smell sawdust. You will see people hammering and setting up lights around a newly-built, dark-colored, multi-dimensional stage.

They are preparing for the upcoming UNO Theater production "Antigone."

This will not be a production of the Sophocles classic with which most of us are familiar. This will be a performance of "Antigone," written by the French author Jean Anouilh.

Director Roisin O'Gorman said this version of "Antigone" is basically the same as Sophocles' classic, but with a few differences.

"In this version, the character Creon makes more reasonable arguments. He is given more freedom to talk to Antigone. He is not as tyrannical as he was in the Sophocles version," O'Gorman said.

O'Gorman also points out there are no gods or poetry in Anouilh's "Antigone." The language is "very direct, with some elements of Greek."

O'Gorman directed last semester's production of "Mud," a play which explored the roles of women in society. She is directing "Antigone" for the same reason.

"It offered an opportunity to explore more ideas about dealing with longing and loss, and how to realize who we are and what we

can do to change," O'Gorman said.

"Antigone" will explore this theory: the character Antigone is a young woman trying to find herself in a patriarchal world.

Jean Anouilh wrote this version of "Antigone" during World War II. He received acclaim and a wide audience for this play because of his very subtle attack on the Nazi party, while still maintaining the spirit and flavor of the Greek classic.

"Antigone could be interpreted as the voice of the French Resistance in this play," O'Gorman said.

The elements and the style of the production is "quite theatrical," O'Gorman said. The scene work will be straight-forward and naturalistic with some touch of Greek elements in the chorus.

The actors, all of which are UNO students, will not be wearing Greek costumes. They will wear costumes with different pieces, each piece and

prop used symbolically to represent different characters.

O'Gorman says she hopes the story has some relevance to people today.

"The play is thought-provoking. The audience should make up their own minds about who is the hero, and enjoy the storytelling," O'Gorman said.

Both Sophocles and Jean Anouilh would be proud.

The performance dates for the play are February 3, 4 and 5 and the admission is free. Shows start at 8 p.m.

"Life is a wonderful thing to talk about, or to read about in history books but it is terrible when one has to live it."

— JEAN ANOUILH, FRENCH AUTHOR

Stage

what: "Antigonne"
where: Weber Fine Arts Building, Main Theatre
when: Thurs.-Sat., Feb. 3, 4, & 5
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cost: Free

All Things In Moderation

Cover songs.

Perhaps no two words inspire such disgust and contempt in a good deal of the population than those infamous words. What exactly is so evil about the concept of cover songs?

It's not like they ever did anything to you. So what is this mass aversion we all have to cover songs all about anyway?

If you think about it, cover songs are nothing more than a way to pay some respect to a fellow musician. Kind of like a tribute. Besides, when done right, cover songs can be fun.

By "done right," I mean that the cover artist added something useful to the original song. This goes for any kind of reinterpretation. If something doesn't need to be done, or can't be improved on, just don't do it.

I know what you're thinking. "Cover songs? How unoriginal!" True, cover songs may not be the most original way



Renaissance Woman

By
Rae
Licari

to express a thought, but at least it's honest, more so than sampling. If a musician does a cover song, chances are most listeners are going to recognize it for what it is, and realize that it is not the artist's original work.

On the other hand, sampling is completely ripping off another artist's hard work and passing it off as something new and unique.

Don't get me wrong; I'm not suggesting that musicians should give up writing original music and play nothing but cover songs. Moderation is the key to success in practically everything. I would simply suggest that you think twice before sneering at a band or solo musician who happens to play a cover song or two. After all, I sincerely doubt that any musician, especially those just starting out, never played a single cover song.

Cover songs are not the next Antichrist, so let's all give cover songs a break. Let's give them a chance.

Media Bites

from College Press Exchange

Book Review "Ophelia Speaks"

Who said growing up is easy? With a ton of issues thrown in our faces, sometimes it feels as if no one would or could understand.

But now there's a place to turn — simply turn the pages of Wesleyan University student Sara Shandler's new book, "Ophelia Speaks" (Harperperennial, \$12.95).

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Quirky Comic's Recipe for Laughter

a stand-up comic review by Dustin Pappas

Omaha got a dose of belly-aching laughs Friday when comedian Harland Williams took to the stage at The Funny Bone Comedy Club.

The Funny Bone is known for bringing in top-notch comedy, and Friday's performance was just stellar as expected.

Williams has starred in the movies "Rocket Man," "Half Baked," and had appearances in "Dumb and Dumber" and "There's Something About Mary."

Williams' stand up routine is as quirky as the characters he plays in film.

"I had cosmetic surgery recently. I had my chin removed and my ears enlarged," Williams said.

Williams finds comedy in everyday things like tattoos and

highlights many things he deems bizarre like wrinkle cream.

His somewhat goofy appearance and slow demeanor made for a superb visual appearance and excellent delivery.

By involving the audience, Williams' routine was very interactive. Whether an older lady or a young student, nobody escaped Williams' comic clutches. Despite his dim-witted demeanor, Williams took his show to the audience for a quick-witted impromptu.

Williams can be seen currently co-starring in an independent movie titled "Lucky 13."

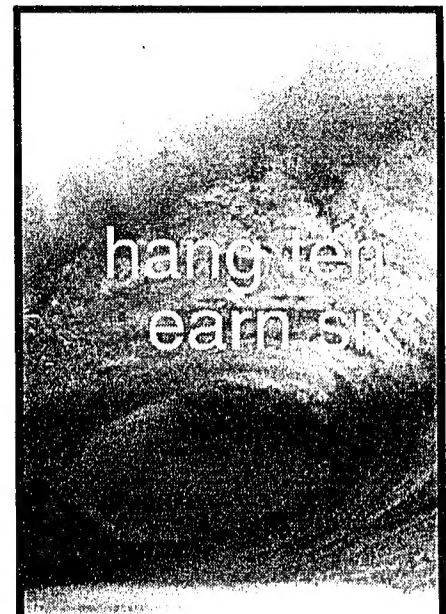
Who knows? The comic antics of Williams, such as taking a swig of urine or farting in his space suit in "Rocket Man," may someday be prime time television.

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Before he could be cooked by a greenhouse effect,
The duck spread his wings and the glass cage was wrecked.
Finally a free flyer, aviator for higher, "The sky is what I aspire,"
As he looked up with desire.
"Hey little duck you need to stay on the ground," Mama said
You're gonna need feathers to replace that down."
"Reaching for the sky is a serious task, 'cause if you jump before
you're
ready then you're sure to crash."
So as time went on,
The little duck became grown,
He changed like the weather,
His down became feathers,
And all the while,
he said with a smile,
I'll be the first to fly a southern mile.
Then one day mother duck lead her children to a point on high.
"OK children today we fly!"
Our hero went to the cliff and stood at the edge,
Took one look down and the view spun his head.
"It's a long way down," he said with a quack
And his mother's words came rushing back.
"Reaching for the sky is a serious task,
"Cause if you jump before you're ready, you're sure to crash."
He finally knew what his mother had meant,
She made sure he was ready before a-flying he went.
So with his feathers big and his wings so strong,
He can finally fulfill the dream he had for so long.
So for all of you who are still on the ground,
don't feel bad if you're covered with down.
Don't be sad, be mad or be shy,
It takes time to be rich, to shine, to fly.

--R. C. Jackson

Railing Against Silence

I'm just like anyone else

I have shoes with tongues
and zippers with teeth ...

but I am not what I've become,

and the honking horns and whistles
can't charm the sadness from my chest.

I love you and I want to stay
he said as he left to go home.
With his cigarette smoke
encircling my head
I suppose I believed him—
Hip high in stale seduction
the lamp is the only truth
I need—

until he leaves.

It's then the clanking locks and

accusing sheets jeer at me.
The laughing fan puckers and
blows its fluoride breath
over my warm flesh.
I cry when he leaves

because the dresser knows,
and the mute cow slippers and
kitchen table find their voice
when he's gone.
The fish tank puts off gray shadows,
even the toilet grumbles like a father
at the lusty secrets it knows.

In truth, the only quiet voice
is mine,
somewhere in my abdomen,
breezing through the maze of my intestines.
The rest of me sobs and doesn't know why.

—C. Marie Josephine

"I Can Hear Your Heart"

we stared at the rafters
after making love
not knowing quite what to say. ...
(God, but you are
beautiful.)
I don't want to say anything

foolish
(it was special, wasn't it?)
yes.
can a person feel crowded
and alone at the same time?
I'm not sure I want this to
ever end.
then you turned near
and whispered
j'entend ton couer.
—Alain Moyet, junior

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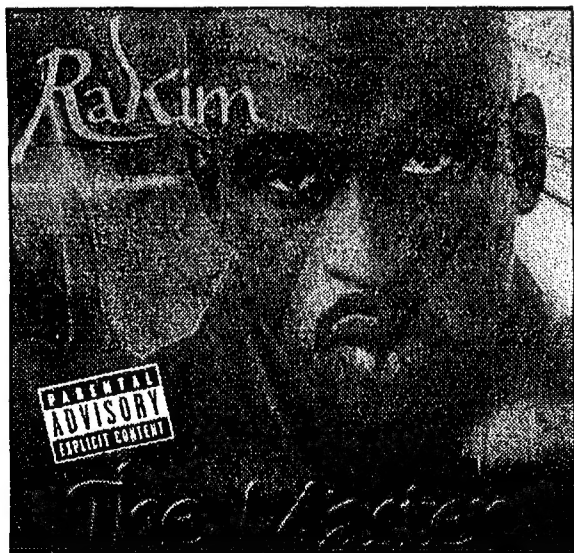
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CD Reviews

music reviews by Enyi Emesih

Rakim "The Master" (Universal Records)



Rakim has always been known as hip-hop's resident lyrical god. "The Master" enforces this reputation even more; it does not go as far as it could have, but that's okay, the album is still tight. "The Master" is better than 98's "The 18th Letter." On "The Master" Rakim sprays razor sharp lyrics over hypnotic beats keeping with the times, at the same time keeping true to his place in

hip-hop history. Check for the tracks "Finest Ones," "All Night Long" and "It's a Must" (featuring Rahzel). For younger hip-hop heads that are not too familiar with Rakim's work, this album is a perfect opportunity to get into this style. Good album, worth the hype.

Q-Tip "Amplified" (Arista Records)

When A Tribe called Quest decided that it wanted to call it a day, cries went out across the world. The question remained as to how to fill the void that it created in the rap game. One year later the answer comes to us as none other than the leader of the Tribe, the Abstract himself, Q-Tip. Alive and well on Arista Records, "Amplified" boasts of a diverse array of beats and, of course, abstract lyrics. We all know the party favorites like "Vivrant Thing" and "Breathe and Stop," also on board are the progressive sound of songs like "End of Time" (featuring Korn), "Higher" and "Do it."

Various Artists "The Hurricane Soundtrack" (MCA Records)

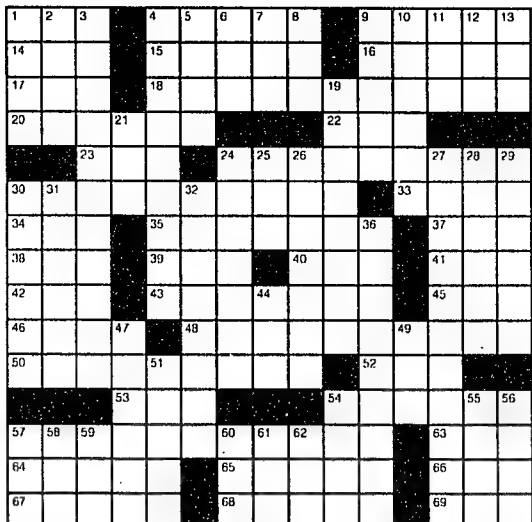
I like this CD a lot because of its genre blending. It brings together the sounds of jazz, R/B, rock and hip-hop, all of which flow along with the timeline within the

movie's storyline. There's the Bob Dylan song "Hurricane," then the other versions of "Hurricane" performed by The Roots, Mos Def, Dice Raw and a host of others. Also included is "In the Basement" by Etta James and "I don't Know" by the Jazzfatnastees. There is also spoken word from artists such as Me'shell Ndegecello and Gill Scott-Heron. There are some songs that don't fit on this set that can be overlooked. For the most part the songs stand strong in capturing the feeling conveyed with the movie. Listening to this CD is a nice way to place the old with the new and genre beside genre, go into this open-minded.



Crossword

- ACROSS
- 1 Big bang letters?
 - 4 Stur over
 - 9 Spurious
 - 14 Soil turner
 - 15 Suffered sickness
 - 16 F.O.E. chapter
 - 17 ___ Marie Saint
 - 18 Counter personnel
 - 20 St. Sebastian, c.g.
 - 22 Stashed away
 - 23 Jostle
 - 24 Cuban dances
 - 30 Makes an assertion
 - 33 Medication unit
 - 34 Part of HHH
 - 35 Museum guides
 - 37 Arista
 - 38 ___ Ridge Boys
 - 39 Wapiti
 - 40 Gosh!
 - 41 "___ Kapital"
 - 42 Keats opus
 - 43 Leftover piece
 - 45 Uno e due
 - 46 Continental prefix
 - 48 Turbulent situations
 - 50 City near Ann Arbor
 - 52 Support piece
 - 53 Actor Chaney
 - 54 Ransacked
 - 57 1981 Heisman Trophy winner
 - 63 Pay dirt
 - 64 Assumed name
 - 65 "___ and Nothingness"
 - 66 Chest bone
 - 67 Genetic duplicate
 - 68 Encrypted messages
 - 69 So far
- DOWN
- 1 Those people
 - 2 Stellar explosion
 - 3 Sob stories
 - 4 Fonda/Hopper movie
 - 5 Prevaricator
 - 6 Suffering
 - 7 Poor grade
 - 8 Newspaper honchos, briefly
 - 9 Michael of Monty Python
 - 10 Paid attention to
 - 11 Former Bruin Bobby
 - 12 Beat follower?
 - 13 Absolutely!
 - 19 Takes to task
 - 21 Smidgen
 - 24 Gene of "The Conversation"
 - 25 Got a bite
 - 26 Language of Bangladesh
 - 27 History of success
 - 28 Teeming
 - 29 Human input systems
 - 30 Fiddlesticks!
 - 31 Study
 - 32 Ornette and Cy
 - 36 Building adjustments?
 - 44 Final profit
 - 47 Container with a spout
 - 49 Ump's relative
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UNO Takes Three Points From Ferris State

BRIAN BRASHAW

Staff Writer

To go on the road and get a win is a good thing. To go on the road and get three conference points, as the Maverick hockey team did against Ferris State this weekend (a 5-5 tie and a 5-2 win) is something which can change the face of a season.

The Mavericks pulled off a switch of conference ranks, knocking Ferris to eighth place with the tie and win. UNO has shaken the CCHA like a snow globe, and stirred talks of home ice in the playoffs.

First things first. UNO put on a parade-worthy performance this weekend, but had to do it without some key players. Jason Cupp sat again this weekend, still nursing an injury. Rodney McLeod, who came into this weekend on a hot streak, also sat with an injury. Kendall Sidoruk was called up to fill the net.

Friday night was a fight for both teams. Ferris State got the wheel turning early on a goal by their leading-scorer Brian

McCullough. That goal set a tone that the Mavericks would play catch-up for the first half of the game. UNO tied the game when Dave Noel-Bernier produced his second goal of the season. The Bulldogs struck again in the first period on a Eric Evans goal.

The Mavs owned the second period. Ferris State did manage one score by Kevin Switer, but Billy Pugliese, Derek Reynolds and Nick Fohr all scored in the second frame to give UNO a 4-3 lead going into the final period.

The Mavericks took a comfortable 5-3 lead early in the third on Noel-Bernier's second tally of the night.

UNO had a two-goal lead, there were only ten minutes left in the game and the Mavs were handed the gift of a five minute power-play (Bulldog Chad McIver took a major for running over Sidoruk.)

Penalties followed the Mavericks all night. UNO took two penalties of their own to void the power-play. In a stretch of nine minutes, McCullough scored two more goal to tie the game. Overtime came and went, with

Sidoruk making three game-saving stops on breakaways. The game ended 5-5.

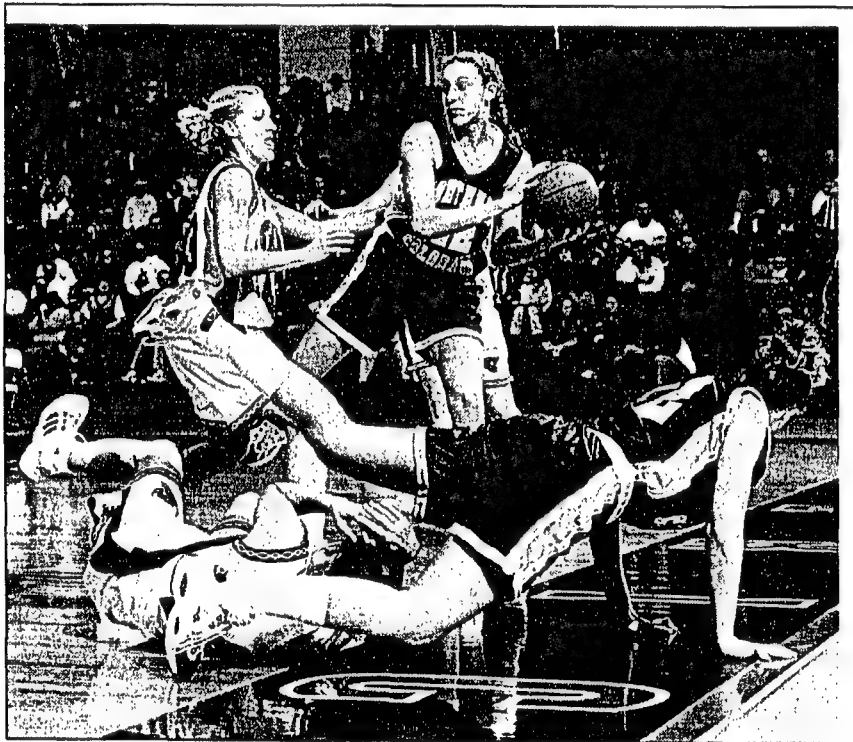
"We let a golden opportunity to pick up points slip through our fingers," Head Coach Mike Kemp said.

UNO would not make the same mistake Saturday. The Mavericks sealed the game in the first period. The most productive period of the year for UNO saw them take a 3-0 lead after the first 20 minutes. That lead would hold. Ferris could only muster two goals in a 5-2 loss at the hands of UNO.

Bernier, Bernier, Bernier. Dave Noel-Bernier had three goals on the weekend, along with one assist. "By far this was my best. Everything fell into place for me," Noel-Bernier said.

Derek Reynolds also put up big numbers with a five-point weekend.

The 10-goal weekend was UNO's highest this season. The 10 goals given up by Ferris State was also their highest total this season. UNO returns home for another CCHA weekend, hosting Bowling Green.



Senior Sara Larson (43) pushes her opponent to the baseline during Saturday's loss to UNC. Larson is ranked in the top10 all-time on UNO's scoring and rebounding lists.

Chris Machian

Mavericks Lose to Northern Colorado

AMY M. MUHLBAUER

Staff Writer

UNO battled the Northern Colorado Bears Saturday evening at the Sapp Fieldhouse in front of 700 cheering fans.

After two straight North Central Conference losses last weekend, Head Coach Paula Buscher and the Mavs hoped they could pull off a home-court victory this weekend. UNO needed to get this last win before heading into the second round of conference play ... but it was not to be. UNO fell 73-68.

The Mavericks played the Bears in a close matchup. After a first half in which both teams traded the lead, UNO was down by three points. During the second half UNO stayed persistent. With 31 seconds left in the game, sophomore Jennifer Mitchell hit two free throws to move the Mavericks to within two.

In the final possession of the game, the

Bears' Melissa Sauter found herself open for an easy shot underneath the basket to seal the victory.

UNO put itself into a predicament by shooting only 65.6 percent from the free throw line and hitting only 28.1 percent from the field during the critical second half of the game.

Four Mavericks finished in double digits. Leading the team was Darcy Stracke with 18 points. Kim Birkel and Sarah Larson each scored 13 points. Mitchell added 10 points and three assists for UNO.

Larson led the Mavericks' battle of the boards grabbing 13 rebounds on the night.

With the loss the Mavs dropped to 12-6 overall and 4-5 in the NCC. Northern Colorado built upon their 13-5, 6-3 NCC standings.

UNO remains at home next weekend when St. Cloud State and Morningside come to town.

Mav Grapplers Finish 2-1 on the Weekend

DAVID M. JOHNSON

Sports Editor

Division II No. 1-ranked UNO wrestled in a trio of duals over the weekend, losing the first and winning the final two. The team is away to No. 2-ranked North Dakota State Feb. 5 in a battle of NCC giants.

Friday, Jan. 28

The Mavericks played host to Division I No. 9 Northern Iowa at the Sapp Fieldhouse, losing to the Panthers 33-6.

Other than three-point decisions by Chad Wallace (197 lbs) and Alan Cartwright (157 lbs), nothing went right for Coach Denney's squad.

UNI jumped to an early 13-point lead after Nate Lawrenz upset No. 1-ranked Chris Blair 11-4, and Randy Pugh pinned No. 3-ranked Zach Stalder.

Wallace brought the Mavs to within 10 points on a 7-5 overtime victory over Tony Wieland, but the Panthers rumbled through the ranks until Cartwright's 9-5 decision over Bob Koenig during the final match of the evening.

UNO fell to 8-2 in dual-match team scoring. UNI improved to 7-3-1.

Saturday, Jan. 29

UNO traveled to Kearney for a double dual, pitting its talents against University of Nebraska-Kearney and Colorado School of Mines.

Coach Denney's team defeated UNK 25-15 to open the meet, thanks to a go-ahead pin by Wallace of the Lopers' Alex Haines. UNO heavyweight Tyrice Ellebb iced the victory with an 8-0 major decision over UNK's Louie Marone.

The Mavs crushed Colorado School of Mines 33-12 in the afternoon session. UNO took seven of the 10 individual matches, including Mack LaRock's pin of Dustin Bennetts and Cody Ritter's pin of CSM's Baca.

UNK defeated Colorado School of Mines 32-16 to take second place in the double dual meet.



Track and Field Wins Contest at Western Collegiate Invite

KATIE RATCLIFF

Senior Staff Writer

After leading the Division II competition at the Air Force Invitational in Colorado by only five points on Friday, the UNO track and field team topped off the weekend with a crushing victory.

On Friday, Natalie Malone came in second in the 800-meter preliminaries with a time of 2 minutes 17 seconds to lead the way for the Mavs. The UNO distance medley team took third with a time of 13:03.3 to add more points. Sara Stricker finished sixth in the mile (5:37.99) and Lindsey Hunter also took sixth in the pentathlon by earning 3,033 points.

On Saturday, nine UNO athletes crossed the line first to leave all competition in the dust.

Carly Lambert finished first in the 60 and 200-meter dashes with

times of 7.78 and .25:68 respectively.

UNO came up big in the field events winning the high jump, pole vault, long jump, triple jump, shot put and the pentathlon the day before.

Susanne Larson won the high jump by clearing the bar at 5'3". Pole vault was won by Cathy Craig (9-6 1/4). Jonisa McGlown leaped the farthest in long jump (17-2). Rochelle Gordon added more points for the team in triple jump by bounding down the runway and leaping to the 38-5 1/2 mark. That jump provisionally qualified Gordon for NCAA Division II championships.

Meredith Bliss took first in the shot put by throwing 40-6.

UNO (228 points) finished ahead of Adams State (134 pts.) for the title. Western State was third with 108 points.

The team travels to Doane College in Crete for the Tiger Classic on Saturday.


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I Cannot Tell a Lie: UNO Swim and Dive Wins Washington Invite

KATIE RATCLIFF


Senior Staff Writer

The UNO swim team won the Washington Invitational on Saturday by earning 943 points. The next-closest team was the host school Washington University who earned 836 points.

Aimee LaFave claimed three second place finishes to lead the Mavericks. Her efforts came in the 100-meter backstroke (1:02.89), the 200 individual medley (2:16.37) and the 200 butterfly (2:18.09).

Two athletes and three relay teams took first-place finishes at the meet.

Kristy Malone won the 500 with a time of 5:23.89; Jamie Haferhler won the 100 freestyle with a time of 54:54 seconds; the 800 freestyle relay team won with a time of 8:12.11; the 200 freestyle relay team won with a time of 1:40.85 and the 400 freestyle relay team won with a time of 3:42.93.



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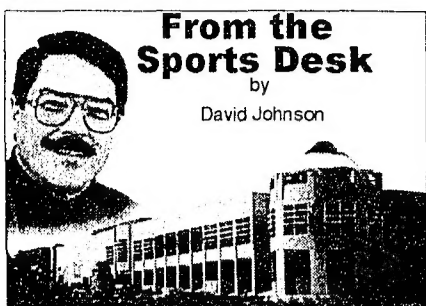
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What Is Happening with the Vikes?



A major makeover is occurring in the Minnesota Vikings camp. One look at the "Transactions" notice will tell you a radical change in philosophy (not to mention economy) is taking place.

The Vikes have been one of the NFL's powerhouse teams over the past three to four years. They have not fared well in the playoffs under Dennis Green, but they have trounced most comers during the regular season. That is about to come to a screeching halt.

Gone: Jeff George, a quarterback who found his maturity in Minnesota (no sideline temper tantrums, at least) and who looked to be settling in well not only in the offensive system, but within the community. He will not be back — too expensive at \$400,000.

Staying: Randall Cunningham, a quarterback who was benched when he could not find a receiver the first half of the season. The most memorable moment came with Cunningham, head bowed in shame following yet another interception, being lambasted on the bench by that sophomore super-punk Randy Moss. Cunningham and his \$28 million contract will be the mentor to Daunte Culpepper and his \$19 million contract.

Gone: Ray Sherman, the offensive coordinator who is credited with producing more than enough offense to cover for a lousy defense. Apparently, Sherman and George will be a package deal — where George goes, Sherman is likely to follow. The two have worked well together and George feels comfortable with Sherman's offensive scheme. Sherman was offered a demotion to stay on as the Minnesota wide receivers coach. He turned it down.

Signed: Sherman Lewis, new offensive coordinator. Part II of the Sherman-Sherman Show. Lewis was fired by the Green Bay Packers Jan. 3 after eight seasons there.

Gone: Foge Fazio, defensive coordinator who voluntarily took a demotion to sign as linebackers coach with Washington Redskins rather than stay with Minnesota. Wonder why?

Signed: Emmitt Thomas, new defensive coordinator. Another firee from the Packers. Thomas' problem last year was he didn't have Reggie White to save his defense. No Reggie Whites in Minnesota either.

Gone: Tom Olivadotti, inside linebackers coach. Olivadotti has proven over the years he can teach marginal linebackers how to be exceptional linebackers. In fact, the Viking linebacking crew was probably the best part of that defense.

Gone: Dave Atkins, tight ends coach. This unfortunate soul is being replaced by former Viking tight end Mike Tice.

Demoted: Hubbard Alexander, receivers coach. Alexander is now an assistant in the research and development department in Minnesota. His problem? Randy Moss, Chris Carter, and Jake Reed all want the ball every play. When there's friction, who do you punish: 1) the spoiled millionaires, or 2) the lowly coach?

Signed: Charlie Baggett, new receivers coach. Third signee from the former-Green Bay coaching staff. The Minnesota Packers?

Gone: Tim Connolly, team general manager. I suppose it's his fault the secondary can't tackle anybody and Randy Moss is a delinquent who is so rich and talented he feels he doesn't have to follow society's rules.

Gone?: Minnesota has some high-priced play-

see VIKINGS, page 15

Simons Hits the Hardcourt with a Vengeance

JJ RIDER

Staff Writer

Mike Simons has been a work-horse for the Mavs since his freshman year, competing in every game which he has dressed for during his duration at UNO. The 6-3 guard has the mindset of a boxer and a southpaw jumpshot as sweet as gold. He is the school's all-time leader in three-point shots, and is ranked in the top 10 in career points scored.

The Wahoo, Neb., native has been playing basketball since he was 4 years old. "I owe a lot of credit to my parents and my older brother," Simons said. "I first started practicing on my neighbors' hoop."

Simons led his Wahoo High School team to the Nebraska Class C-1 State Title three consecutive seasons. Simons also competed in cross country, baseball and played one year of football.

This year though, Simons wants the regional title. "My goal is to battle through the conference and to be one of the teams in the regional tournament," the senior said.

Simons realizes he has a deadly shot. "When I get the ball, I first square up to the hoop, and if I have an open look I take the shot," the business major said. But the shooting guard also knows he needs to work on certain other aspects of the game. "I know I can shoot, but I need to work on defense, dribbling and passing too."

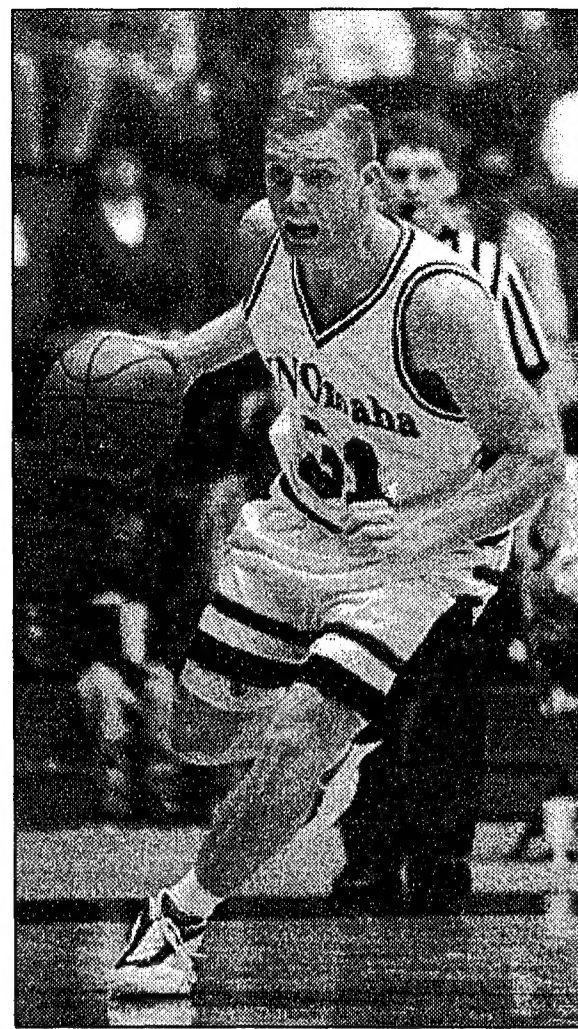
Before a game every player prepares in a different way. "Before a game I like to clear my mind and relax," Simons said.

This season has been going well for the senior and his team. "The best moment of this year is winning against Morningside," Simons said. "It was the first time since I have been here that we have beaten them in their place."

Simons scored 31 points against Kearney earlier this season, which is a career high for the returning letterman.

Simons says he owes a lot of his success to Head Coach Kevin Lehman, but it is Lehman who promotes Simons' athletic ability. "Mike has experience and he is one of the most competitive players I have ever coached," Lehman said. "He understands how to play the game."

Simons says if you are a new basketball recruit to UNO hoops, be prepared for "hard work and to be more mentally prepared for a game than any other team in the conference."

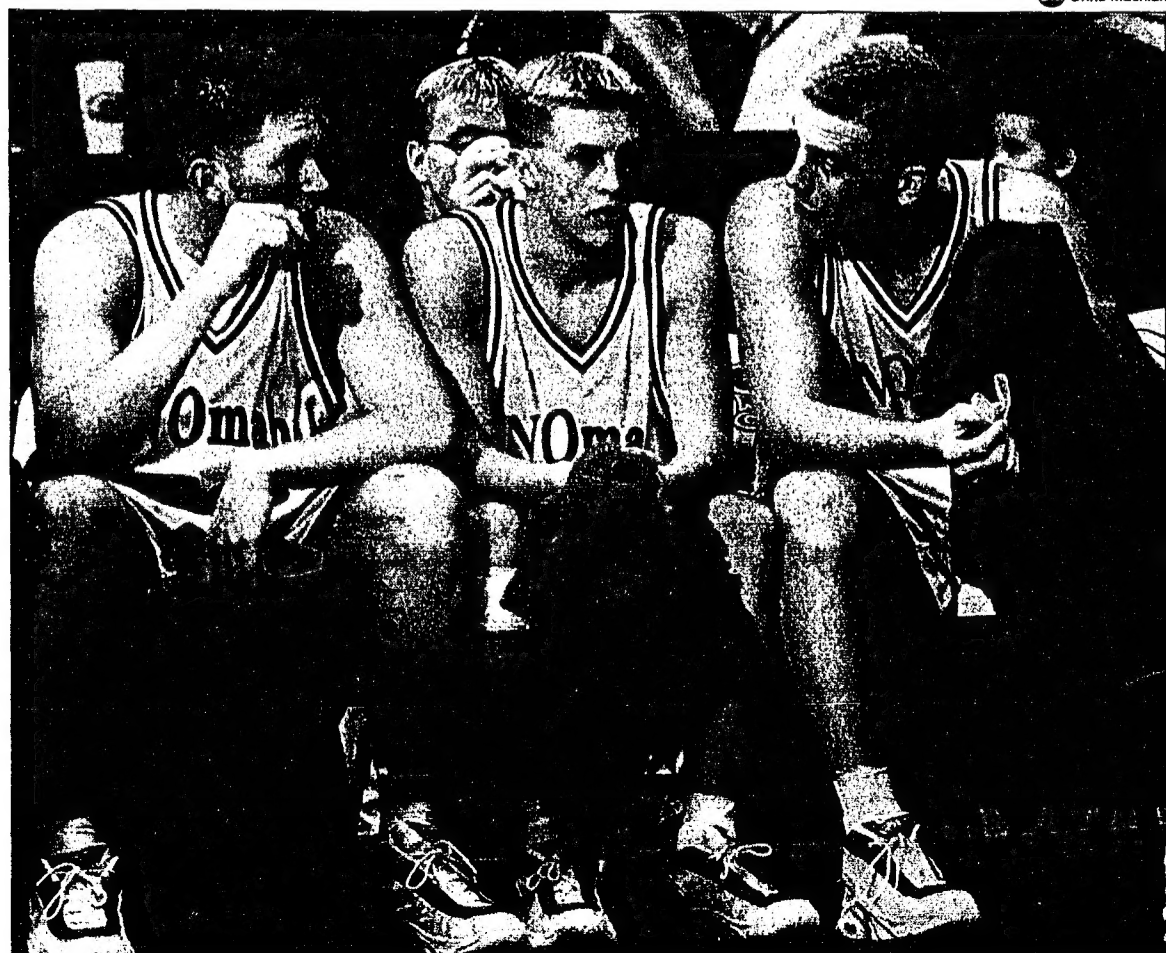


Joe Hammke

Top: Senior shooting guard Mike Simons ranks in the top 10 career UNO lists in points scored, three-point shots and steals. Simons leads the team in scoring this season. Simons still holds the Wahoo High School career record in steals and earned all-Nebraska honors as a senior.

Bottom: Simons (right) gives advice to sophomore center Al Lainio and freshman point guard Seth Nelson.

Chris Machlan



PEANUT GALLERY

by David M. Johnson



Jamye Dougall is OK. Dougall, an Omaha North High senior who assists the Mav hockey team with their equipment was punched in the eye following the Jan. 21 melee between UNO and Lake Superior State. Dougall, legally blind, suffered only minor scratches due to the assault.

Pat Behrns has picked up another big man and a speed merchant for the UNO football team. Millard North defensive lineman Nate Ostrand (6-0, 260) has accepted a scholarship offer with the Mavs. Bellevue West running back/return specialist Jeremy Anderson (5-8, 185) turned down an offer from the Air Force Academy to take a scholarship with the Mavs.

Props to Mav hockey goalie Rodney McLeod who was named CCHA's Defensive Player of the Week. McLeod stopped 73 of 76 shots on goal in last weekend's split with Lake Superior State.

Prayers go out to Derrick Thomas, Kansas City Chiefs star who was paralyzed in an auto accident last

Sunday. Please make it a habit to buckle up whenever you are in your car.

Prayers also go out to Trent McCleary of the Montreal Canadiens who dove to block a slap shot and took a puck to the throat. He suffered a fractured larynx and subsequent collapsed lung, and is listed in critical condition. McCleary, known as a player who goes all out, suffered a torn tear duct earlier this year when he took a stick to the eye.

Props to UNO senior grappler Chris Blair who was named NCC Wrestler of the Week for the second straight week.

The Mavs hockey team is hosting a "Skate With the Mavs" event Feb. 6 at the Omaha Civic Auditorium beginning at 1 p.m. Bring you skates, pens and anything you would like autographed, and Coach Mike Kemp's squad will oblige.

You might not believe this, but UNO women's softball starts in exactly 10 days ... in Colorado ... in the snow. Good thing the ball is white.

Maverick Men Lose on Last-Second Bomb

BRIAN BRASHAW

Senior Staff Writer

The UNO men's basketball squad suffered a loss Saturday night in a fashion in which no team ever wants to lose a game. On a last-second three-point shot, Northern Colorado scored its first North Central Conference victory of the season, a 64-63 win over the Mavericks.

The first half of the game was low scoring. UNO's defensive effort pleased Head Coach Kevin Lehman, but the lack of offense was a concern. At the end of the half, Northern Colorado held a 27-24 lead.

"Our defense is playing pretty well, but the offense is not being patient," Lehman said at half-time. "We are taking too many outside shots and we need to start taking time to get good shots."

The Mavericks came out of the locker room a more patient team. UNO, working the ball inside to frustrate the Bears' defense, didn't attempt a three-point shot until very late in the game. UNO eventually opened a nine-point lead.

The lead soon disappeared. Led by freshman Kevin Knudson, Northern Colorado slowly climbed back into the game. UNO had two chances to take a four-point lead and put the game away with less than a minute left in the game, but both Corey Hahn and Mike Foltynski missed field-goal attempts.

Northern Colorado was left with a two-point deficit and 12 seconds to make it up. The Bears found Knudson open on the far wing. He posted up from the three-point arc and drained the bucket with just 1.2 seconds left. UNO could not score on their final desperation shot.

Knudson led all scorers with 22 points. "Somebody has to step forward for us and provide some leadership," Lehman said. "I'm totally embarrassed because of my teams' performance and inability to execute."

Hahn paced the Mavs with 17 points, while Foltynski added 13 points and 11 rebounds.

UNO drops to 12-8 on the season. UNC climbs to 6-12.

VIKINGS

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ers teetering on the edge of salary-cap madness — John Randall, Randall McDaniel, Jerry "I've swallowed a" Ball and Duane Clemmons.

The one guy who's managed to survive this soap opera is Head Coach Dennis Green. This is the same guy who, a few years ago, was almost run

out of town by a morally conservative, tar-and-feathers lynch mob when it was discovered he was prone to dalliance. This is the same guy who can win conference title after conference title, but has only one post-season victory.

Why Green is still there is the biggest mystery.

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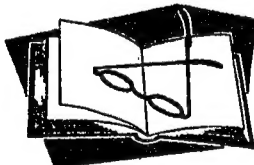
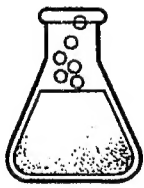

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